

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, immediately following the title, please insert headings as follows:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

On page 1, after line 2, please insert a heading as follows:

Brief Description of the Related Technology

The paragraph beginning on page 1, line 16 has been changed as follows:

The use of plastics material for the nozzle plate tends to make the nozzle plate relatively weak, and thus prone to mechanical damage. ~~Whilst~~ While stiffer materials, such as metallic or ceramics material, may be used for the nozzle plate, accurate nozzles are less readily formed in the nozzle plate.

On page 1, after line 24 please insert a heading as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 3, after line 26 please insert a heading as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On page 4, after line 10 please insert a heading as follows:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

The paragraph beginning on page 5, line 5 has been changed as follows:

One of the additional benefits of the present technique is that the structural photo-imageable resists allow further structures to be built on the nozzle plate before ablating the nozzles and ~~whilst~~ while it is still attached to the substrate.

The paragraph beginning on page 5, line 20 has been changed as follows:

It is also possible to form other features that may be located on either side of the nozzle plate. Figure 4 illustrates a technique of forming a nozzle plate having a conductive track attached thereto. The electroformed plate, ~~whilst~~ while still attached to the substrate has spun thereon a further layer of an electrical insulation material 20 which will isolate the metal of the nozzle plate component from the metallic tracks formed in the track component 22. The track component may be a separately formed sheet or may simply comprise tracks formed onto the insulating sheet 20.

The paragraph beginning on page 6, line 3 has been changed as follows:

~~Whilst,~~ While the combination of a nickel nozzle plate electroformed around defined bodies of photo resist material is particularly preferred, the skilled man will recognise that there are a variety of techniques for forming a body of preferably plastics material, said body having a periphery, and forming a plate of preferably metal material around said body such that the plate extends around at least a portion of said periphery of said body. Similarly nozzles can be formed in a variety of ways other the preferred technique of laser ablation.